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TO THE YEAR 1909.

Oh, how they pass—like a flash from a stormcloud,
Winging its way thru the dark'ning sky;
Or like an arrow's swift rush from the bowstring.
Oh, how the dead years fly.

Oh, how they pass—and for never a moment,
They tarry to welcome the year that's to come.
On they go, dashing, noiselessly, ruthlessly,
Thus do the swift years run.

Oh, how they glide down the Lethian river,
The madly we plead thru our blinding tears;
When nothing but ashes remain in the goblet:
Oh, for the vanished years.

Oh, how they pass—and now I will wish for you
Never a sorrow, a sigh, or a tear.
May they have passed away from your life dear,
Gone with this fleeting year.

L'homme qui rit.

Memorial Service For Rev. J. J. Rice.

On Sunday a Memorial service was held at the Indian Industrial School for Rev. J. J. Rice, a former worker of the School. He came with his son Rev. J. P. Rice to assist him in 1903, and won the highest esteem of all during the short time he stayed. His decease took place at the Toronto General Hospital on Dec. 14th after lingering for 6 days in an unconscious condition, from the effects of a street car accident. Up to the time of the accident, he was always at his post as chaplain of the hospital.

The service was conducted by Rev. Barner and Mr. Lookhart who took for their text, (Rom. 14: 7) "No man liveth unto himself and no man dieth unto himself."

"Asleep in Jesus," "Go Labor On," and others of his favorite hymns were sung. His life was briefly reviewed and every heart was inspired by the lovely character revealed in this man, who at the end of his day, "Has gone to be at rest."

Thomas Gehrike, eldest son of A. Gehrike, west of this town, while digging a well at Gervin, Saskatchewan, on November 25, fell down the shaft a distance of 72 feet and lives to tell the tale. He was taken out unconscious and removed to the hospital at Regina where he received every care. Strange to relate no bones were broken, although he was paralyzed from his waist down for several weeks, having lit on his shoulders in about a foot and a half of soft mud and water which broke his fall. His father was telegraphed for and went down at once remaining until Saturday last when he returned to Red Deer his son having recovered sufficiently to be able to take care of himself. It is not one case in a thousand where a man escapes from such a fall and with so slight an injury, and our friend A. Gehrike is to be congratulated on his son being that fortunate one.

The annual meeting of the parishioners of St. Luke's church for the receiving of the incumbent's and church wardens' reports, and for the election of church wardens and vestry for the ensuing year, will be held in the church on Monday, January 4th, at 8 p.m.

The long evenings are coming on, and you will naturally want some reading matter.

All the latest
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700 Novels (Paper Covers) just received from England.
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500 Cloth Covered Novels, 35c. each.

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Donations to Hospital.

The Hospital Board have been making a special appeal to the citizens for financial assistance to defray the cost of installing the town water, and they desire to gratefully acknowledge the following subscriptions. The Board heartily appreciate the manner in which this appeal has been met, and wish to say that if there are any who have not been called upon, and wish to make a contribution to the hospital for 1909, the Secretary A. W. G. Allen or President S. N. Carscallen will be glad to receive such contributions before January 10th.

We, the undersigned, subscribe the amount we set opposite our names, to the Red Deer Memorial Hospital for the year 1909:

H. H. Gaetz	\$ 15.00
E. Michener	25.00
S. N. Carscallen	15.00
F. W. Galbraith	10.00
G. W. Greene	25.00
Smith & Gaetz	25.00
R. C. Brumpton	15.00
W. E. Payne	10.00
W. J. Bottorill	10.00
J. J. Gaetz	5.00
F. H. Tallman	10.00
H. H. Humber	3.00
Thos. A. Gaetz	10.00
Harold L. Gaetz	5.00
H. B. Hill	10.00
Jno. A. Carswell	10.00
C. Hamilton	3.00
F. Mott	2.00
K. M. Byers	5.00
N. Murphy	2.00
R. B. Welliver	10.00
C. E. Hall	5.00
L. Parsons	15.00
J. W. Rowntree	15.00
John Collison	10.00
E. P. Cronqvist	5.00
J. P. Rice	5.00
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A. W. G. Allen	10.00
N. Michener	10.00
W. P. Helliwell	2.00
W. T. Cooke	5.00
L. M. Gaetz	5.00
D. G. Horn	2.00
W. H. Plaxton	2.00
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J. Carlyle Moore	5.00
P. Pilgson	2.00
C. J. S. Reed	10.00

BIRTHS.

At Red Deer on Dec. 22nd, 1908 to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Davis, a son.
At Willowdale, on Dec. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ray, a daughter.

Our Sincere
Good Wishes
FOR
**A HAPPY
NEW YEAR**

To all Our Friends and
Clients.

Michener Carscallen & Co.
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Hockey.

The first game of the Amateur hockey league was played at Red Deer on Christmas afternoon between Olds and the local team. There was a large attendance of spectators. The line up was as follows:

Red Deer	goal	Olds
Mann	point	Cutten
Smith	cover	Rollins
W. Beckett	cover	Rollins
M. Beckett	rover	Davey
McCutcheon	centre	Walkey
Hewson	left wing	Scott
F. Cornett	right wing	Shields
Snyder	goal umpires	Hainstock
D. Smith, referee.		

The first half of the game was uneven and stood 6-2 in favor of Olds. The second half appeared to be favorable to the visitors and resulted in 3-2 for them, they winning out by 9-4. The play was rather loose and not up to the regular form but we hope our boys will pick up and show a clean pair of heels to out side clubs from this on. M. Beckett and McCutcheon played a good game, and the teams appeared to be about even but the rushes of the visitors were fatal to the home team. Hard practice and combination play is what is needed to win.

The boys go to Stettler Friday. Lacombe defeated Stettler 16-3 on Christmas day.

The Edmonton hockey team, challengers for the Stanley Cup, played their first game with the Wanderers at Montreal on Monday and went down to defeat by 7 to 3 goals. Edmonton put up a good game at first and won their three goals in the first half.

The first game of the local league was played last night between the Wanderers and Waskasenos. It was a very even game till near the end when the Wanderers were thought to be the best team. Up till ten minutes from the end the game was a fast one in spite of the cold which kept a crowd from turning out. Dan Smith was referee. The line up was: Waskasenos—goal, Scott; point, Mann; cover, Smith; rover, Tilt; centre, Brumpton; right, Snyder; left, Greene. Wanderers—goal, Clayton; point, W. Beckett; cover, B. Hewson; rover, B. Beckett; centre, G. L. Hewson; right, F. Cornett; left, W. Krause.

CUP COMPETITION.

Since our last issue the following games of the cup competition have been played:

Carswell, sk. 19	Payne, sk. 9
Stephenson, sk. 16	Carswell, sk. 7
Humber, sk. 6	Payne, sk. 16
Brumpton, sk. 13	Gaetz, sk. 8
Brumpton, sk. 11	Payne, sk. 7.

General News.

Reports of a terrible earthquake comes from Rome Monday.

The street car line at Edmonton was tied up by blizzard on Monday last.

Nihilists, to the number of 500, were arrested in Russia Sunday and Monday.

The war cloud between Holland and Venezuela has dissolved. Canada claims the Halibut banks in the North Pacific.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—Counsel for the Hill railways announced to day that the recent purchases of land made on the east end of False Creek were made with a view of establishing a permanent terminal in Vancouver. Approximately a million dollars worth of property has changed hands during the last ten days in connection with the deal.

THE RED DEER STORE

GREAT STOCK-TAKING SALE.

Commencing December 20th, 1908, and continuing till January 10th, '09.

We will offer our large stock of General Dry Goods, Fancy Dry Goods, Men's Furnishings, Hats and Caps, at a reduction of 20 per cent., and our Winter Shoes, Rubbers, &c., at 15 per cent., and Men's and Boys' Suits at

25 PER CENT DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

See some of our prices:

Flannelettes, Shirts, Gingham, Former price 20c. now 15c. 15c. now 12c. 12c. now 10c.

Flannels, Former price 30c. now 20c. 40c. now 30c. 25c. now 20c.

Blankets, Former price \$7.00 now 5.00, 5.50 now 4.00, 4.50 now 3.00, " " " 3.25 now 2.00, 2.50 now 2.00.

Ladies' and Misses' Underwear, Former price 1.25 now 1.00. 75c. now 60c. 50c. now 40c.

Hosiery, Former price 60c. now 50c. 50c. now 40c. 40c. now 32c. 30c. now 21c.

Men's Underwear, Former price \$3.50 Suit now 2.50.

" " " 3.00 " " 2.40. " " " 2.25 " " 1.80. " " " 1.25 " " 1.00.

Winter Boots and Shoes, Former price \$3.75 now 3.20, 3.00 now 2.50, 2.50 now 2.15, 1.50 now 1.30, 1.00 now 85c.

Come along and take advantage of this wonderful offer, as our stock must be reduced before stock-taking.

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Mails are due to arrive as follows:

From South, 12.00, noon, and 6.35 p.m., daily, except Sunday.

From North, 11.50 a.m., and 7.40 p.m., daily, except Sunday.

From Hillsdown—11 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays.

From Everts, Elkville, Burnt Lake, Sylvan Lake, Leaville and Solheima, at 11.30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

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Going North—11.30 a.m., and 6.00 p.m., daily, except Sunday.

Going South—11.20 a.m., and 7.00 p.m., daily, except Sunday.

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MARINE SCANDALS.

Further Inquiries Into the Department That Has No Conscience.

Ottawa, Dec. 19, 1908.

The Cassels inquiry resumed at Ottawa on Wednesday. It has made some progress, but leaves much to be learned of greater importance than the matters disclosed. The Court spent most of the first day in pursuit of a payment of \$500 sent by the Polson Company of Toronto to Commander Spain who was then in Victoria, B. C. Mr. Spain admitted that the money was sent him by Mr. Polson by wire, but declared that Mr. Polson sent it to be invested by Spain in land at Fort Simpson, whether the Commander expected to go with Mr. Polson or not. He did not go to Simpson, and swears that he returned to Mr. Polson in Toronto a few weeks later the very money he had received. But the Polson firm books set forth that the \$500 was charged as a firm account to disbursements, and that there is no record of repayment. Mr. Polson is dead and the officers of the firm could throw no light on the matter.

THIS IS LARGER GAME.

While pursuing this subject, the government counsel ran into several large payments by the firm to what is called "special" account. These payments were made in cheques payable to "Cash" or "Mr. Halliday, treasurer of the Polson Company," testified that he drew the cheques, and sometimes took out the money, giving either the cheque or the money to the late F. B. Polson. At this time Mr. J. B. Miller practically owned the Polson business, and Mr. Polson was the manager with a share in the profits. The strange thing is that neither the treasurer, Mr. Jeffrey the secretary, or Mr. Miller himself, who supplied the money, knew what became of these sums. Mr. Miller was asked: "Did you ever ask Polson about it?"

"I may have asked him, but I never got an answer if I did." "Were you content to let it go at that?" "Yes, I trusted Mr. Polson." Now these payments included \$4,000 on the 30th of October, 1904, and \$10,000 on the 18th. When it is remembered that the Dominion elections took place on November 3rd, 1904, and that between September, 1902, and January, 1905, the Department of Marine paid the firm \$680,456, it would appear that the matters were as well worth investigation as Commander Spain's \$500.

CAREFULLY AVOIDED THESE.

There were further payments shortly before the local election of 1905. All these payments of cash were charged as "special," and there is nothing in the books of the firm to show to what they went for. But beyond a few incidental questions with a view to find out whether the money was used to bribe officers of the Department, the government counsel made no attempt to follow this matter up. It was shown that the Polson firm was paid \$124,400 for building the Vigilant cruiser, when there was another offer of \$86,000. Mr. Miller believed that the other offer was for a smaller boat, but no specifications were produced. If the prices were for different boats, there was no competition. Again the Polsons were paid \$45,400 for repairs on the Aberdeen, while their tender was \$17,000. All the rest was extras. There was an engine bought from this firm at a much higher price than another tender. All these transactions went on while the firm was issuing cheques at election times payable to cash, without the books being balanced, consideration or who got the money. This was less than five years ago, and to-day no member or officer of the firm can explain these transactions, though the firm shareholders say the business has not been profitable and would therefore call for careful accounting. But the Cassels commission is not following up these matters.

INTERESTING INQUIRY STOPPED.

R. O. Mackay, of Hamilton, testified that he had received \$2,500 for the use of the steamer "Golepie," delivering lighthouse supplies on the lakes. He had offered the service for \$5,500, but the offer was not accepted, so he raised the amount by \$1,700, and got the larger sum. Here the government counsel suddenly lost interest. Mr. Mackay started to explain that when he was seeking the larger price he enlisted the services of Mr. Zimmerman, Liberal member for Hamilton. Mr. Perrin, who was examining him, told the witness he did not want to hear anything about that, and the political end of the business was out. But to the public it is a matter of some interest to know how far the politicians manage the department in these matters.

A PLUMBING ACCOUNT.

There is a plumber in Kingston who is also a hardware dealer, and

supplied the Marine Department since 1904 with goods and services costing \$27,000. Incidentally, he fitted up a house in Ottawa for the Commissioner of Lights, who paid him \$2,400 for business and services. He swears this bill was paid in full, but not until after this investigation began, when the account was some three years old. A government officer on a salary of \$2,400 who can afford to spend that amount on plumbing and hardware in refitting his house is not unfortunate.

A CONTRACT RAISED \$55 PER DAY.

A still more interesting inquiry was that into the contract of Halliday Bros. of Quebec. They had a boat called the "King Edward," which the government engaged in 1904 for conveying supplies for the light service in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Jas. Halliday offered it for \$200 per day. The department thought this was unreasonable, and proposed \$125 per day. This offer was promptly accepted by the owners of the ship, who signed a contract on May 31st for \$3,750 a month for the season. As the "King Edward" was receiving \$8,000 for the season, or \$50 per day, from the government for carrying mails, and was also engaged in a regular traffic business the contract price appeared to be generous. But Mr. Halliday wanted more. He went to Mr. Power, Liberal member for Quebec, and got him to intervene. Instead of standing by the signed contract, the minister had the deputy write to the Quebec agent for a recommendation. Mr. Gregory evidently knew what was expected of him, and advised that the contractor be paid \$200 per day, with deductions when the boat was so busy in private business that the Marine service was delayed. This recommendation was accepted and payment was finally made at the rate of \$200 per day, less \$20 deductions, or \$180 net, dating back to the beginning of the service.

A HANDSOME GRATUITY.

The additional allowances given to the contractors above their contract price was over \$60,000. Former Deputy Minister Gourdeau was called, but could give no reason why the contract was changed. He observed that the terms were found too low it was, of course, proper to make new ones, which shows that the department in his time had an interest in discharging the contractor's responsibility. There were various items of extras, and altogether Halliday's bills for the "King Edward" were \$30,400. This amount was paid in 1905.

A STRANGE STORY.

There is no doubt about this but the witnesses contradicted each other on the question of what was done. Mr. Van Felson then Quebec manager of the People's Bank of Halifax, advanced money during 1904 to Halliday Bros. and took power of attorney to collect their account from the government. This account was not paid for a year and concerning it the banker gives the following sensational story.

Before the accounts were paid Assistant Accountant Boudreau came to the bank and told Van Felson that he was there to settle the account, but that before it was paid he had others "who would have something." Van Felson at first protested against the hold up, then mentioned \$1,000 and \$2,000, which sums were rejected as too small. Boudreau observing that he himself would get nothing if only \$2,000 was paid. Thereupon \$3,000 was proposed and accepted. The bank manager informed Halliday of this demand, and the latter, after some protest, concluded to pay it, saying that since he had been kept waiting a year for his money he would probably be held up longer if he refused. The government authority Van Felson drew three cheques of \$1,000 each, on as many banks, obtained the money and gave it in three parcels to Boudreau for himself and two associates.

Van Felson's statement is supported by Mr. Lawrence, then accountant at the bank, who swears that the manager called his attention to Boudreau at the morning visit, that he saw Boudreau there in the afternoon, heard Van Felson say he was going out for money, and saw him on his return with large bills which he handed the accountant.

Boudreau himself swears that he did not get the money, and had no such conversation with Van Felson, and that the statement of the manager and accountant are entirely false. Halliday it seems, has a curiously vague recollection of his negotiations with the government and the financial transaction generally. He does not recall the conversation with Boudreau, and contradicts the banker's story as to the Boudreau transaction.

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Services, Sunday at 11 a.m. and

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Young People's Meeting Monday

evening at 8 p.m.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday eve

at 7.30. Choir Practice at 8.30.

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LOCAL & GENERAL.

Mrs. Jas. Ferris is spending some time at Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. Bradfield and Mrs. Cornett are spending the winter in Ontario.

Ivan Green is home for his holidays from Western Canada College, Calgary.

There was no skating at the rink on Monday evening owing to the snow storm.

Watch the Fire Hall Tower at the opening of the New Year, Thursday midnight.

L. B. Baker and his brother left Saturday for B.C. where they are looking over fruit farms.

Remember the Stoddart Show on Mon., Tues. and Wednesday of next week. They are good.

Mrs. N. Murphy was called to Coleman on Saturday last, owing to the serious illness of her mother.

Leslie Reilly, teller of the Merchants Bank, will leave for Okotoks branch after the holidays.

The Alberta Pacific Elevator Company made a shipment of 270 tons of chopped barley to Mexico recently.

Mr. Cork, accountant of the Northern Bank, has gone to relieve at Earl Grey, Sask., prior to going to the Winnipeg Office.

Bert Smith, of W. L. Howland, who has been in the hospital undergoing an operation for appendicitis, is now improving rapidly.

John Malcolm is home from the coast, and there is a report that Mr. Malcolm will not move west but still remain with us in Red Deer.

The merchants all report a heavy trade Christmas eve, and the whole holiday trade has been far superior to last year. Give the farmers good markets and the trade will look after itself.

Fred Francis, Manager of the Fairview Esplanade greenhouses, Victoria, B. C., and an old friend of the Editor of the News, sent us a box of choice holly, grown in the west, on Christmas eve.

Mrs. Joseph Slade and her son Arthur left Sunday night last for the East. They will spend the winter in Chicago and Ontario.

Mr. Slade will continue on the road for his company in the West.

The farmers in the Penhold district will be pleased to learn that they will be able to secure repairs for Massey Harris machinery from O. Sproule, recently appointed agent at that point.

George Wright, late bookkeeper for the Great West Lumber Co., and his brother John H. Wright, so long and favourably known in Red Deer, left last week for New Michel, a town on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, about twenty miles east of Fernie, where they have purchased a general business. We regret very much the removal of these gentlemen from our town, as they were not only good citizens, but genuine hustlers. We feel sure they will do a good business in their new home. Mrs. George Wright will remain in Edmonton with her daughter, Mrs. Robertson, until the firm get thoroughly settled in their new quarters.

The Methodist Sunday School had a very happy Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening. The superintendent, Mr. E. Michener, presided, and Mr. Huettis gave a short address. The school choruses under the leadership of Mr. E. Wilson and Miss Sadie Smith were well rendered, the Misses Brumpton taking a duet in the second chorus. Miss Lily Smith and Miss Huettis' classes also gave choruses. A duet by Bessie Dale and Christina Jonsson, song by Lila Piper, violin solo by Harold Gaetz, violin and mandolin by Roy and Clifford Malcolm and Fred Ansett, recitations by Vera East and Anna Rolfe, and drill by primary class, were the other programme numbers. Miss Bessie Dale welcomed Santa Claus, in orthodox dress, and he distributed candies, oranges, books, etc., to the scholars, from the Christmas tree. A second tree received the contributions of the scholars in toys, books, clothing, etc., for the Pekin (Calician) mission, and there was a generous response.

Planiat, male, open to engagements for dances. Address Box 425.

Miss Simmons was the guest of Miss Bessie Greening, at Horn Hill, over Christmas.

Mrs. Rondo of New Westminister B. C., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. Atlee.

Miss Gaetz of Blackfalds is spending the Christmas holidays with her sister in Red Deer.

Dick Jarvis left for the coast Monday evening to purchase lumber for his lumber yard.

T. D. Patterson, of Vancouver, B. C., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Donaghy over the holidays.

Get a Flower Talking Machine from the Wright Agency for New Year. Cash or terms. Free trial.

A. M. McDonald Artist in Portraiture Studio, Michener Block. Will be open New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stephenson, of Wetsaskiwin, were the guests of Mrs. Woodsworth over Christmas.

Mrs. J. E. Bower and children together with Miss May Bower left for Okotoks by Monday evening's train.

Mrs. Souch and Miss Dorothy Souch, of Stettler, are the guests of Mrs. Joseph Cole during the Christmas holidays.

For Christmas and New Year the Canadian Pacific Railway announces a rate of fare and one third for the round trip.

Tickets on sale for Christmas Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25. For New Year December 28, 29, 30 and 31 and January 1, final return limit on all tickets, January 5, 1909.

The Fire Brigade received a cheque from the Braekman Ker Co. Christmas eve for twenty five dollars and two boxes of cigars from Mayor elect W. J. Botsford, this was in recognition of their services at the recent fire at the engine house of the elevator.

This cheque comes at a most acceptable time as the boys are just planning to raise \$150 to procure more rubber coats and uniforms.

Christmas donations to the Memorial Hospital are as follows: Mrs. G. J. Welch, 1 lb. of raisins; Mrs. H. H. Gaetz, 3 jars of fruit, 1 jar of mince meat; Mrs. McKeehie, cake; Mr. Krause, sack of flour; F. Michener, turkey; Mrs. G. J. Bell, turkey; Mrs. Watson, case jar oranges; Mrs. Carscallen, candy and game; Mr. Wood, two tanks of water; Tom Marks, bushel of potatoes; English church, flowers; Hospital Ladies' Aid, half dozen gowns.

A correspondent to the Edmonton Journal, yesterday, says: There was a fine rehearsal on Saturday evening of the opera "Patience," that most exciting of all the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. It is to be given in January by a talented band of amateurs, some 40 in number, all of Red Deer, under the able baton of Mr. Hart and to be in aid of the English church. The choruses were splendidly taken and a fine performance is assured.

The Red Deer Cadet Corps, under command of Capt. D. George, is making fine progress in drilling. They devote a short time twice a week to instructions under Sergeant Jack Oliver, in the vacant store of Smith and Gaetz recently occupied by W. E. Lord. The cadets intend giving a concert the first week in February for the purpose of securing uniforms for the boys. The entire program will be given by the boys themselves and should be a novel and interesting entertainment.

A cordial invitation is given to every patron of the government creamery (whether shareholders or not) to be present at the annual meeting on Thursday Jan. 7, 1909. The association has had a very successful season during the past summer, much more so than anyone dared to hope when the season commenced.

The quantity of cream is keeping up exceedingly well this winter. Butter at the present prices is a paying proposition for the farmer and we want every patron to unite in the effort to make next year the banner year of the association.

30 below last night.

Mrs. Norquay's sister is visiting her during the holidays.

The Post office wicket will be open for half an hour after the mail is sorted on New Year's day.

There will be a watch night service at St. Luke's church on New Year's Eve, (Thursday), at 11.30 p.m.

The quarantine at the Indian Industrial School was lifted by the Medical Health Officer on Monday last.

Miss Cora Kelly of Wetsaskiwin, takes the place of Miss Bower as stenographer in Greene & Payne's office.

McKee & Cruickshank presented each of their men with a fine turkey as a Christmas box last Thursday.

Miss Myrtle Baker is home from Brandon college for her holidays. She took the solo in the Baptist church on Sunday last.

B. Watkins and his brother J. N., of the Great West Lumber Co., left for Vancouver a few days ago where they have taken up their residence.

Sergeant Jack Oliver received news of the death of his father yesterday, the sad event taking place at the family residence in Scotland a short time ago.

Longboat, the Indian runner, was married in Toronto, Monday last, to Louise Maracle, an Indian maiden. The reception held afterwards in Massey Hall was attended by 1500 guests.

A special meeting of the School Board was held last evening. Several accounts were passed and motions were put through asking for tenders for coal and wood, and also for a caretaker to take the place of R. Gee, resigned.

The first regular meeting of the new Board will be held on Thursday, January 7th.

There will be grand fancy dress carnival at the rink on Friday evening Jan. 8th. Valuable prizes will be given for the best costumes and there will be races for young and old.

The feature of the evening will be the first race for a silver cup presented by Mr. Menzies and to be won in two races out of three and open to everybody.

The voting contest for the two sets of furs given by C. E. Hall to the two little girls having the most votes, was concluded on Christmas eve. Two gentlemen were called in to count the votes, and gave the results as follows: Marion Munro, 1st; Gladys Alford, 2nd. Several other little girls were well up in the running, and to these Mr. Hall presented a fine box of chocolates.

The three hundred dollars Miss Dow thought was lost when she was burnt out recently, was found by Fred Hart, the carpenter, who was cleaning out the old rubbish preparatory to fixing up the building last week. The stream of water had hurled the pocket book and money into a corner and it was frozen there among the debris and was not found until Mr. Hart dug it up and returned it to Mr. Botsford for Miss Dow. This clears up considerable speculation as to what could have become of the money, and does away with the robbery theory. Mr. Hart is to be commended for his sterling honesty and Miss Dow on her good fortune in having the money restored to her.

Poplar Ridge.

Mr. Darling, assisted by Mr. McLean, is holding a series of Gospel meetings in the school house every evening at 7.30. The meetings have been well attended and very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin took a trip to Ponoka last week.

W. R. Atkins has gone to Maple Creek for a couple of weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brownrigg and Miss Ethel were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hart for Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Strong and daughter spent Xmas in town as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Purrier.

Mr. and Mrs. Larsen of Ponoka are visiting friends in the neighborhood.

Ed Martin returned from B. C. Saturday evening.

Levy Atkins has gone to Stoney Plain looking up his team of horses.

Mrs. Mitchell and family of Red Deer were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Atkins Xmas.

Mr. Morton, Mrs. Paton and Mrs. Cole of Red Deer were guests of Mrs. Atkins Sunday.

Found.

A parcel containing a pair of shoes, some yarn, spoons of thread and some sewing needles. This parcel was left at Wallace & Gaetz's store about three months ago and no owner found. The goods were purchased at Mr. Brumpton's store and the owner can have them by applying to Mr. Brumpton or to the News Office.

Penhold A. F. A.

The regular monthly meeting of the A. F. A. was held in the school house on Saturday the 19th of Dec., Pres. E. Carswell in the chair.

After preliminaries the following resolution was carried.

Moved by J. Farrar, G. Domoney, that unless otherwise directed by the meeting having the matter in hand, in any future co-operative buying by secretary, in behalf of this branch no order shall be taken without sufficient money to cover the same.

The matter of hall insurance was again taken up and the following resolutions placed before the meeting. Moved by J. D. Bruhlemann, Whiteside, that the delegates be instructed to support any reasonable scheme of compulsory hall insurance providing for any indemnity of not less than \$8 per acre with a premium of not more than \$2 per quarter section.

An amendment was placed before the meeting, moved by J. Farrar, B. Hornett, that, the present system of insurance be supported with the promise that anyone may insure for a higher indemnity than \$2 an acre, on payment of a proportionally higher premium.

After a keen discussion the original motion was carried by a majority of four votes.

The voting for delegates to the Edmonton convention resulted in the election of E. Carswell, T. Parcells, A. Speakman and J. D. Bruhlemann.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday the 23rd. of Jan. as the convention interferes with the 3rd. Saturday.

A. PEAKMAN Secretary.

Valley Centre School District, No. 517.

The adjourned special meeting of the taxpayers of the above district was held in the school house on the 28th December. Mr. I. B. McLaughlin was called to the chair.

Minutes of last meeting were read by the secretary and unanimously approved. The taxpayers reaffirmed the proceedings of the former meeting, that the school district remain as it is.

The report of Messrs. T. Brown and W. H. Purdie, relative to their interview with the Department of Education, was called for, and read by the Secretary. The report showed there was no desire on the part of the government to make any alteration in the district which would necessitate the removal of the school house, and gave general satisfaction.

The two following motions were carried unanimously, and requested to be published in the 'Advocate' and 'News'.

That we, the resident taxpayers of Valley Centre School District, No. 517, assembled in the said school house, December 28th, 1908, do hereby denounce the articles in the Red Deer 'Advocate' of December 18th, and in the Red Deer 'News' of December 23rd, headed 'Valley Centre Schools' and 'Hillsdown', referring to the school house in above district, as false in each and every statement. The expression of this meeting calls for denouncing these willful, malicious and lying slanders, both in regard to the government and the school district.

If the 'Advocate' and 'News' will furnish the name or names of the writer or writers, we will so denounce them by name.

That this meeting of the taxpayers of Valley Centre School District, No. 517, here assembled, condemn anonymous writing to the newspapers.

W. H. PURDIE, Secretary.

Estray Cattle.

Come to the premises of the undersigned the latter part of last Nov., one red and white steer coming three years old indistinct brand on right hip with half circle under brand. One red steer calf coming one year old branded 11 on left hip. One dark red heifer coming 3 years old, no visible brand. One red heifer calf about 8 months old. No visible brand.

W. H. EYRE
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To Rent.

Large eleven roomed house on Gaetz Avenue North. Electric light, communications. Small stable and shed in rear. \$15 per month to right man.

Apply to GREENE & PAYNE, Red Deer, Dec. 23, '08. Law Office.

Tenders For Wood and Coal.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for 50 tons of best coal, and 20 cords of dry poplar cord wood, (green dried), to be delivered at the Red Deer School, and to be subject to inspection. Tenders to be in by Jan. 6th, '09.

M. A. MUNRO, Sec'y-Treas.

Applications For Caretaker.

Applications will be received for position of caretaker for the Red Deer School. Salary \$30 per month, duties to commence Jan. 1st. A copy of duties can be seen, and all applications to be in not later than Jan. 6th.

M. A. MUNRO, Sec'y-Treas.

Girl Wanted.

To assist in the dining room of English Cafe. MRS. SAGE.
Red Deer, Dec. 22, '08.

Veterans' Dominion Land Grants.

Good for \$20 acres. Warrants on hand for immediate delivery for \$300 cash. Wire or write G. W. Wagner, Box 100, Regina, Sask.
Dec. 30th, '08.

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